To create public awareness against the practice of pre-natal determination of sex and female foeticide and to implement the provisions of the PNDT Act, activities are undertaken through Government Media Unit *viz.* TV, Radio and Print media.

Workshops/Seminars are being organised at State/district level, to create awareness about the provisions of the Act. Non-Governmental Organisations are also being involved to carry out projects for generating awareness among doctors/clinics/law enforcing authorities and public at large. The cooperation of the NGOs has also been elicited in listing and enumerating, within their jurisdiction, the name and address of premises where the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) is being performed, with a view to detect registered/ unregistered clinics.

Eschemic heart disease

† 1540. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether eschemic heart disease has turned as an epidemic in developing countries like India;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of the measures being taken to prevent it; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (d) According to Indian Council of Medical Research, eschemic heart disease is becoming a major health problem in our country with more than 10% of the population in urban environment above the age of 35 years suffering from its manifestations. The prevalence in rural settings is still lower (4-5% of the population above the age of 35 years). Since the causes of this disease is attributed among others to individual life style and food habits the doctors are creating awareness among the people for adopting proper life style and food habits to control this disease.

Indicator for public health

1541. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) where the following three indicators of public health stand at the end of